

COUNTRY ~~Germany (Soviet Zone)~~

TOPIC Schoenwalde Airfield

EVALUATION see below

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. Between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. on 9 April 1952, Schoenwalde airfield was observed. Twin-engine planes took off at noon, 12:05, 12:12, 12:35, 12:55, 1:06 p.m., 1:15 p.m., 1:22 p.m., 1:25 p.m., 1:45 p.m. and 1:55 p.m. Source could not observe their landings from his place of observation. It is probable that several take-offs were made by the same aircraft. After the take-off, all the planes flew over a radio installation about 700 meters east of Hennigsdorf railroad station. On 23 April, one twin-engine plane took off at 11:15 a.m.; another at noon and another at 12:25 p.m. There were no more flights prior to 4 p.m. when it began to rain. Between 10:15 a.m. and 3 p.m. on 26 April, only one twin-engine plane took off at 12:45 p.m. * Large quantities of broken stone and sand were piled up in the southern section of the landing field. **

2. On 8 May, [] Unit Gonchar at the field [] Five 25X1 Tu-2s were parked in front of the hangar. ***

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25X1 * [] Comment. The radio installation is reported for the first time. According to a sketch [] the radio installation is a landing beacon. 25X1 According to a photograph [] the twin-engine aircraft are Tu-2s. This type was previously reported []

25X1 ** [] Comment. No information has been received to the effect that improvement of the field is planned. 25X1

25X1 *** [] Comment. [] has been observed nine times at Schoenwalde airfield since 20 September 1951. Therefore, it is believed to be assigned to Unit Gonchar. This unit is a target tow unit, equipped with Tu-2s, which was transferred to Schoenwalde airfield in mid-November 1951. Since such a unit has not been previously observed in the Soviet Zone of Germany, it probably came from outside the Soviet Zone. Aircraft of this unit have been repeatedly observed operating as target tow planes with other units of the Twenty-Fourth Air Army. According to previous reports, the unit appears to be equipped with about 10 Tu-2s.

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